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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

Peter B. Kim

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 10 August 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 11-16 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 11-16 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Applicant's arguments filed on Aug. 10, 2005 have been fully considered.

Claim Objections

Claim 11 is objected to because of the following informalities: the written description does not seem to describe a jacket adequately. The structure of the jacket in relation to the motor and the adjustment system is unclear. Also, the jacket is not shown in the drawings. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

Claims 11, and 14-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Emoto et al. (Emoto) (2003/0007136).

Emoto discloses an exposure apparatus comprising a stage to hold one of the substrate and the reticle (10), a motor (1) to drive the stage having a coil (1b) and a jacket to cover the coil and a first adjustment system to adjust temperature of the motor having a flow path of pure water (3) through and an impurity removing unit (42, 43, 44), arranged upstream to the jacket in the flow path to remove and impurity in the pure water (Fig. 1 and abstract). Emoto also discloses a detection unit (27) to detect a temperature of pure water, and adjustment unit (46) to adjust a temperature and a controller to controller the adjustment unit (para 0055-0059) and a projection optical system (97).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claim 12 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Emoto et al. (Emoto) in view of Shima (2002/0057424).

Emoto discloses the claimed invention as discussed above; however, Emoto does not disclose a chamber in which the substrate is exposed and a second adjustment system which as a flow path of a coolant to adjust temperature of gas. Shima discloses the chamber (71), filter 46, a second adjustment system which has a flow path of a coolant (43) to adjust temperature of the gas (para 0121-0123). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide the second adjustment system of Shima to the invention of Emoto in order to regulate the temperature in the chamber where the exposure takes place as taught by Shima in para 0121.

Claim 13 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Emoto et al. (Emoto) in view of Ota (2002/0017616).

Emoto discloses the claimed invention as discussed above, however, Emoto does not disclose a third adjustment system which has a flow path of a coolant to adjust temperature of the projection optical system. Ota discloses a third adjustment system which has a flow path of a

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coolant to adjust temperature of the projection optical system (Fig. 1, para 0043). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide the adjustment system of Ota to the invention of Emoto in order to prevent deterioration of the optical system due to heat as taught by Ota in para 0042.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a).

Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).


A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Peter B. Kim whose telephone number is (571) 272-2120. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Judy Nguyen can be reached on (571) 272-2258. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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